Dear Henry & Maria I believe Caroline No 5. Poplar St. Boston
wrote for the last day of the year.
with my journal at my side January 15. 1841.
I will begin the 1st of Jan. & select Friday evening.
such items as may seem the most important.

AM I NOT A MAN AND A BROTHER?

The 1st of Jan in company with Chaise, Garrin
the Johnsons & Sarah Southwick I went to the
Middlesex meeting at Concord. It was small
but spirited & all went off well, only we
came home in an open sleigh in a driving
snow storm. The next day we were all busy as
could be clearing out West St. Emma went off carrying
little Henry. E. Q. & Mary Robbins called. The latter full of Mr Kirk's
triumphs. He has been carrying the young ladies all before
him. and the story has run that he is to marry Mrs Chas Thorndike.
Sunday I heard him & thought him an agreeable person, nothing
more. Hervey, after meeting carried Caroline & Lizzy out & all L's
clothes. & then another was settled down. Deborah & I passed the evening
at C. Place & so did Bradburn. Monday, matters looked still more
serious at West St, beds all pulled down, Mrs Rowan there cleaning
and we taking cups of tea in our hands. W. R. C. alias Dr Taylor
spent the morning with us notwithstanding all, to your father's
great wrath. I was more faithful than ever, still he kept up
his great friendliness & at parting requested Deborah's & my prayers.
He is very friendly to Deborah, so we may infer our faithfulness
has not disgusted him. In the afternoon, I put various of my
plunder into a carriage & drove to Susan Paul's whom you will
be very sorry to hear is quite ill having had an attack
of bleeding at the lungs. She exerted herself a good deal at
our Fair. I left her some of your tea & sugar, an old comfort &
a gown for her niece, that Lizzy had outgrown. All of which
was very acceptable. Then I came to Henrietta's where I was
received with open arms. Hervey went to W. on the top of the
bureau that stood in your chamber. Tuesday 5th I called at
West St, nearly desolate. Submit had gone to Dr Osgood's. Wednesday
the day was so rainy I did not go out, but I understand
Deborah aided your Father to withdraw the name from the
door, just as the shades of eve were descending & thus ends
the wabbling of the cause round that beloved spot.
Thursday Deborah spent the night here. W. Coffin has sent her
a neat pretty letter. & "Howitt's visits to remarkable Places".
She brought a Report that John Smith of Andover aided by men
from Methuen were to march upon us at the time of the
Annual Meeting, turn out all the Board but Sewall & get up
10 an organ. Knapp picked up the story & told it apparently in
good faith, Geo Foster scoffs at it but we are on the qui vive

Friday 8th I petitioned in Mt Vernon St & Hancock Avenue. Got
hardly any names but perfect civility - save at the widow of
Short Tom Perkins'. She was in her chamber & after very
rudely declining, she ordered me shewn down the back way.
I petitioned again all day Sat 9 but met nothing special
I called at C. Place & found your father had just received a
very pretty & complimentary letter from Mrs Child about your
going away, full of sympathy & good wishes. Caroline came
to Henrittie's and spent the Sunday. We went "Kirking" all
day & soon discovered that he was as bad as all the rest.
We spent the evening getting ready for the Board meeting of
our Society. Monday" however was so unpleasant there was no
going out. Tuesday I went up in town & found there was
great distress on account of the Standard. Gibbons had written
on a touching letter stating that he was discouraged, still
the spirit of the letter was beautiful. The Board Meeting
was held at Thankful's & I addressed a letter to the Board
asking them, or rather telling them that the Fall River
Ladies were going to hold a Fair to which we should send
$180 worth & on the strength of that asking them to
give the Standard $100. This they will do. Sundry other res-
olution were agreed on & it was voted not to have the course
of Lectures. In the evening as Kirk was preaching at Park St
we sent him a notice of our meeting, but he would not read
it, at least, did not. Mr Gannett is feeling very badly as K.
is making great havock with his congregation. Wednesday
morning went up to C. Pl & dined. Their rooms are much
improved by the what not, centre table & pictures. The Secretary
with all Mr's papers in it & William's bust on top stands
in the dining room. In the afternoon our meeting was held
in the midst of a driving snow storm so it was small.
Mrs Ordway prayed & remembered you both very fervently &
There were reports about petitioning & Resolutions. Mrs
Johnson offered some in relation to Maria's departure.
We were all invited to Mr Southwicks & went. We were
asked to meet Bradburn who wished to read us his Colour
Report. He is the Chairman, & Wood of Lynn (an Ab) & Hall
of Boston the other 2. Tarbell the leader of the Dem. Par
comes pledged to vote for the 'Color law. Mr Bradburn's
Report was a very good one. I staid at Thankful's all
night. The next morning went to Chauncy Pl, almost crazy
about the Standard. $500 are to be raised - Isaac Winslow
will do nothing now but says that if they will put the
Standard on the same basis as the Liberator, that is buy the

type, which will cost $800, he will give $200 toward it. So I wrote to Joy of Nantucket urging him to give & also to show my letter to Barney, Macy etc. What the result will be I cant say. — Today Sat Jan 16. I am going to Weymouth. Deborah went day before yesterday. I have had a note from her to day. All are well there, both little Ue & Ann. Gertrude is the observed of all observers & Mrs C. has made her her own county dainty. I shall come in to the An Meeting & stay at Henrietta's. D. I suppose will stay at C. Pl. Aunt Priscilla is about the same. Mr Mosely's children object to his marrying Lucy, so operations are suspended at present. Still it is thought it will take place. — As I have in a hurry to select what to write I will say even here, W. M. Chace is the person who stands at the oar the most steadfastly. He is behaving very well about the Standard — We are longing to hear.

Yrs most affectionately Anne Warren Weston

Dear M & H — I sat up late last night & wrote you 12 pages of gossip thinking that the writing case was going — & so — only one sheet can be allowed — no matter I shall keep the rest for an opportunity. Mary has told you all about domestic matters — Lizzy & I are as comfortable as possible — we have a fire in our room & are quite snug — the baby is Staying at Chauncy place where she will probably be & in the ascendant hereafter — I hope that you are well enough to enjoy your position & I hope your greatest trouble is anxiety to hear from home, because there all is well — I dont believe you will understand Anne's allusion above to Lucy Parsons — it appears that old Mr Mosely of Newburyport — wants to marry Lucy — & she has accepted him tho' an old Aunt at Newburyport — has tried to break up the match by saying that Lucy is ugly &c — & his children make a fuss — I dont doubt it will be a match notwithstanding — We shall do what we can to keep up the Standard tho I feel dubious as to its being sustained. The Pennsylvania Freeman is suspended for a month — the Friend of Man is stopped & it is supposed that another number of the Herald of Freedom cannot be published.

We have settled up all the fair concerns very satisfactorily — I collected from sales made after you left $51.50 which paid all bills including the binding of Bell — & made our total receipts amount to $2051.50 — I shall yet more I have a balance in my hands which I think I shall pay over into the hands of Mrs Chapman for the B. Female

Mr Bradburn presented the colored petition the other day it was the same one that lay at the A S office & that got signed Henry — he thought fit to take out Jno Pierpont's name from the middle & presented it as the petition of Wm E. Channing Jno Pierpont & others — Mr Pierpont instantly backed out & said he had signed it under a misapprehension — & he drew up a memorial asking leave to withdraw his name

& wished Bradburn to present it — but Chace insisted that the
circumstances in relation to his signing it should be stated
at the same time, they were these — a month ago Jno
Bishop came into the A S office — & looking at the petitions
asked who Mr Channing was — they told him & he said may I sign
& receiving permission — he signed the whole after he had read or
seemed to read them — on hearing this Bradburn sought counsel of Francis
Jackson — who at once put a stop to all farther proceedings —
Isn't the man a fool? — Harriet Martineau has sent you her book
"The Hour & the Man" — it is republished here however — it shall be
sent by the first opportunity — P.S. — I have just got the Standard & it
is safe for another week — by that time I hope it will be permanently
relieved — I charge you be careful — & be happy — for if tolerably well
you ought to be so — Miss Rich — & Miss Sargent who went to Santa

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Most faithfully
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Caroline Weston
More next
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Henry G. Chapman,
Care P. J. Maury Aimé Esq
Cape Haytien

A W Weston & Caroline Weston
January 15. 1841 — pr "Odeon"

We are looking forward with great interest to the annual
meeting — which I suppose will bring out this under-
plot — Rely upon us in case there should be any
serious trouble to alarm the country & do all we can
— Our board ordered a notice of our quarterly meet-
ing to be served upon [illegible] with a request that
he would do so much for the slave as read it. &
he read it not — but became vastly discomposed
he now preaching in Park Street — & I assure
you we gave it to him heartily — tell Henry
to be sure to avoid changes of weather & give my love
[illegible]

you know
Remember
that there
is very little
space in
this letter
considering
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